Hardy Memorial
GLOBAL
METHODIST CHURCH

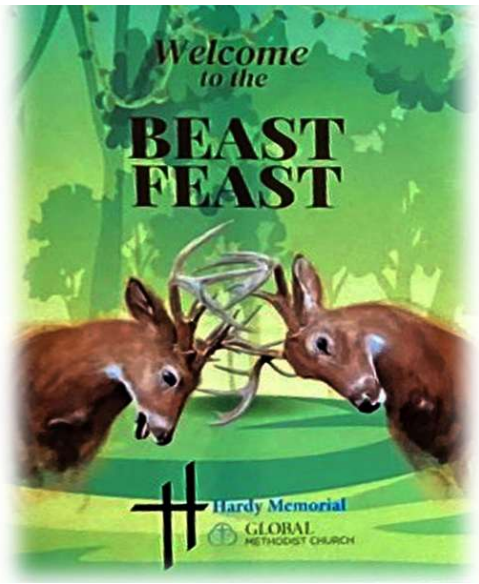
May 2025

The mission of the Hardy Memorial Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.

We're the Church with the Warm Heart

Hardy Happenings

Beast Feast Saturday, May 3rd, 6pm



Youth Ministry Fundraiser - price: $20 per person.
Menu:

- Appetizers
- Main Course - includes
  - Fried Fish
  - Fried Deer Steak
  - Smoked Backstrap
  - Roasted Pork Loin
  - Duck & Dirty Rice
- Sides
- Dessert

Please Welcome Our New Members!

Ed & Jeannette Gerth

Diane Barnes

Hardy Memorial Homecoming BBQ Picnic Sunday, May 18th, 2025

See Sue Jones if you have items for the Silent Auction

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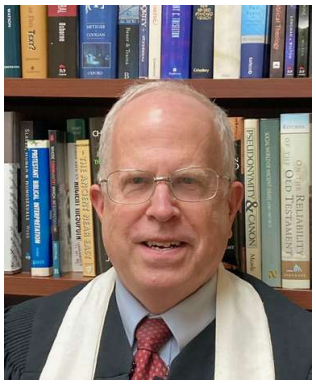
The Pastor's Page



Rev. Richard

Joining God in What He's Doing

A truth we see throughout the Bible is that God is an agent – and actor. God does things. From creation to redemption, from calling a people and working among them, God is constantly at work.

Throughout scripture we also see that God is continually inviting people to join in what he's doing. That's not just true of Bible times, that's something God does today. It's a source of great joy. Given that reality, what are some ways we can join in what he's doing?

1. Tell God you're willing. One of phrases I like to use to describe the act of becoming a Christian is "becoming a willing participant in what God is doing." God's not looking for robots or puppets. God is looking for people who choose to engage with him.
2. Ask God to help you see people as he does. When God looked at the broken, sinful state of humanity – when he looked at us – he loved us. That love in spite of our sin caused the Father to send the Son to live and die for us. When we people who have been bought by the blood of Jesus see people the way he sees them, we'll increasingly have the same love for them that he does.
3. Practice repentance. The Christian life is walking with Jesus, a life of increasing time spent with God. The more time we spend walking in the light as he is in the light, the more we become aware of our sin. Because we know that "there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus," this doesn't lead us to despair – because we are in Christ! Instead, awareness of our sin leads us to repentance. The Christian life is a life of continual repentance, a life of continually turning over every aspect of our life to Jesus in submission to him.
4. Let God work in your life, transforming you into the image of Jesus. This is the flip side of repentance. As we turn from sin, continually submitting every aspect of our lives to Jesus, the Spirit works to transform us. That transformation brings us joy. It also makes us the kind of people who can demonstrate God's reality and character to people who don't yet know Jesus.
5. Have a bias toward new people. The longer we're together as a church, the more natural it is for us to spend time with each other. Because we're obeying Jesus' command to love each other as he loved us, that's a good thing. But our natural human tendency is to become ingrown, to cut off our relationships with outsiders. By spending time with outsiders – people who don't have any church connection – and people who are new to Hardy, we are on the front line of both helping people come to faith in Christ and to helping them integrate into the body. One way to do this onsite: Whenever we gather, whether in the sanctuary for worship, in the fellowship hall to eat, or somewhere else, look for people you don't know or people who are alone. Come alongside them. Be a friend.

1 Corinthians 15:58

Rev. Richard Heyduck

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Graduating Seniors Breakfast

Methodist Women hosted breakfast for the graduating Seniors. Kaleb Harp was the keynote speaker. Randy Moore awarded the Methodist Men Scholarships.

Oviya Justin
Christian Wood
Sam Baumgardner

Stations of the Cross
Sisters Park, St. Michael's

A great group of our church & church friends gathered at the park to participate in the readings.

We also enjoyed special music along with the readings and prayer.

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We uphold our vows

"As members of this congregation, we will faithfully participate in its ministries by our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness."

Prayers

PLEASE PRAY FOR: All Hardy home-bound members, all nursing home residents, all our brave service men & women & their families, Linda & Bob Akin, Leoda Autrey, Jack Baker, Sharon Bell, Dale Brown, Barbara Buffington, Jerry Buffington & family, Betty Burnett, Lila C & Kids, Billy Claussen, Sherel Cook, Buddy Coopwood, Joyce Dawson, Sue Droske, Ethel Mae Edwards, Guy Ellyson, Susan Evers, Kim Faughn, Berry Flournoy, Bryan Fountain, Noel Gilley, Debbie & Mike Gilliam, Herman & Quata Gilliam, Kaleb Harp, Peggy Harris, Sue & Carlos Harvey, Richard Heyduck, Larry Hupp, Mary Jordan, Shawn Latham, Cesali Martin, Carter Mason, Judy Matthews, Becki McConnell, McConnell family, Doug McVey, Bonnie & Paul Miller, Dottie Miller, John & Gloria Miller, Jimmy Norwood, Gaylon & Barbara Owens, Tommy & Patti Pierce, Stephanie Pool, Jerry Dale Poore & family, Andy Robbins, Debbie Roberts, Jim &Brenda Rochelle, Brad Smith, Riker Stinson, Don Stephens Jr., Elizabeth Stone, Lisa Waits & family, Sue Ward, Eli Watts, James & Martha Weems, Judy Westerman, Damon Whiseant, Don White, Reggie Windham, Al & Linda Woltman & son Wayne, Gary Womack, Patty & Tommy Younk, Hardy Memorial church finances & debt, Hardy Outreach opportunities, the economy, Ethiopia, Haiti, Iran, Israel, Pakistan, Sudan, Syria, Ukraine, Yemen, and our nation's leaders.

Prayer Band - Sundays at 5:00pm
You may join in person at the church

Submit your prayer requests with this QR code or by email: kristieawright@gmail.com

Presence

Average Attendance for Sunday worship in the last month: **229**

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Financials for April 2025

General Budget Giving to Date

Total Needed to Date

As of April 28 we've needed $132,825.59.

Total Received to Date

As of April 28 we've received $154,461.52 (100% of what is needed).

Difference

As of April 28 we have a surplus in our General Budget of $21,635.93.

Building Payment Giving to Date

Total Needed to Date

Our monthly payments are $10,895.11. In 2025 we've paid $43,580.44.

Total Received to Date

As of April 28, we've received $51,339.37.

Difference

As of April 28 we're $7,758.93 ahead for the year.

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MEMORIALS

Mickey Spencer
Billy & Mary Lu Stotts
Jerry & Jennifer Black
John & Gloria Miller

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James Anderson
Jerry & Jennifer Black

Ted Christie
Scott Dubois

MEMORIALS

Tom McConnell
Ephesians Sunday School Class
Billy & Mary Lu Stotts
Laura Marlowe

Thank You

Dear Hardy Memorial Family

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

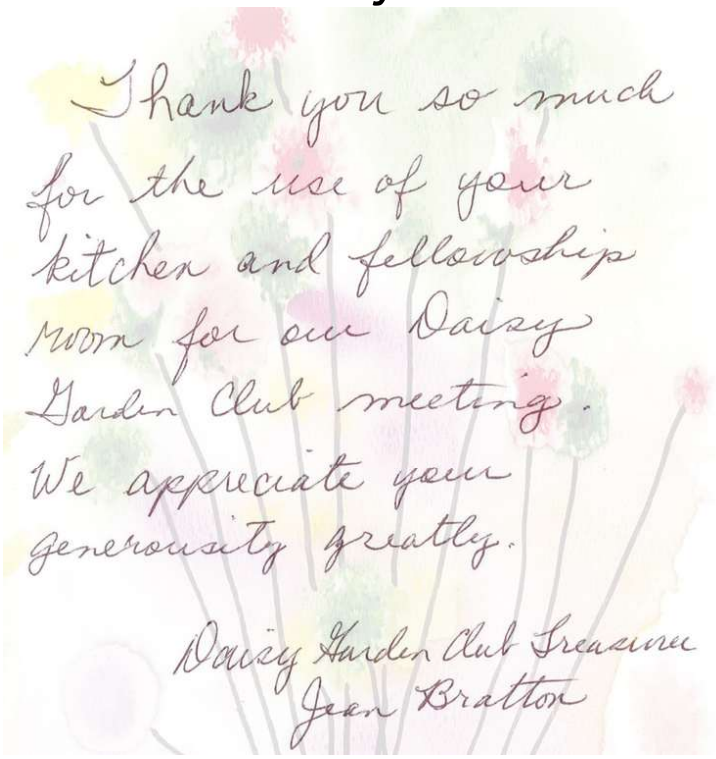
I cannot say it enough.
Thank you for including me in the special prayer event.
Thank you for the cards, calls, text messages, hugs, and gifts!
Thanks for the cozy prayer blanket and a prayer shawl!
Most of all, thank you for showing love and compassion to me at this time. You have helped to keep me grounded and calm (sort of)!
You are a blessing, and I pray you continue with me and Bob on this journey.
You are truly ministering hands of our Jesus.

Thanking God for you.
EPHESIANS 1:16 NLT

Annual Spring Church Work Day

A great group of workers came to tidy up the the grounds. The results were awesome!

"Thank You"
from the Daisy Garden Club



Lunch & Learn Burger Lunch

Please join us for Lunch & Learn Burgers lunch May 12th, 2025 @ 12:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

We will have representatives from Hospice, Brookdale Assisted Living & Caregivers talk to us about available medical service in Texarkana.

Hardy Memorial Dinner Club met in April at Chappos Italian Cuisine.

The lucky winner in the drawing for the gift card was:
Martha Clinton

Hardy Memorial Dinner Club will not meet in May due to the Memorial Day holiday. We resume August 23rd. The location will be announced later.

Mark Your Calendars – Upcoming Events

(Also, please check the Calendar page 14 for additional regular monthly events.)

Hardy Memorial Methodist Men - Wednesday, May 7th, 7:00am

A great breakfast of bacon (lots), eggs, sausage, gravy, biscuits, and GRITS! Also, good fellowship, and each month a guest speaker is invited to speak on a topic of interest.

A great group of cooks!

Hardy Methodist Women - Saturday, May 10th, 2025, @10:00 am

Artie Erwin of **Beds for Kids** spoke to the Methodist Women at their April meeting. Beds for Kids provides beds, mattresses and bedding for children in the Greater Texarkana area who do not have beds. The referrals come from Child Protective Services. This is a great help to those who are caring for foster children and well as families trying to stay together. Since 2018 there have been 829 beds given out in this area! The Beds for Kids ministry was started in our area by Walnut Street Church of Christ but there is so much need that other churches and organizations are stepping up to help. Hardy Methodist Women gave a financial donation. In addition the group plans to hold a Bedding Drive and to host a Bed-Building Day.

Artie Erwin of Beds for Kids

Mark Your Calendars – Upcoming Events (cont'd)

Hardy Memorial Men's Lunch - May 16th
Every 3rd Friday, Noon @ the Chuck Wagon in Nash, TX

Hardy Memorial Food Pantry - May 21st
Every 3rd Wednesday, 1:00pm

New Horizons Lunch & Bingo - 4th Monday
NOTE: New Horizons has been cancelled for the month of May due to Memorial Day Holiday

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BIBLE DRIVE
Donate Bibles Here!
In most villages around the world, believers outnumber Bibles 300 to 1! Join us in ensuring all faithful followers of Jesus have access to His Word!
Bring to Hardy Memorial by Tuesday, June 10
PROJECT Bible Runners
www.projectbiblerunners.com

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Beast Feast Saturday, May 3rd, 6pm

If you have meat to donate other than ground venison, please contact Billy Whitt, Chad Bishop, or Julie Aaron.

Hardy Memorial Homecoming BBQ Picnic Sunday, May 18th, 2025

The Hardy Guys are firing up the smokers to provide the meat for our outdoor picnic by the Youth Building. We are asking our Sunday School Classes to bring the usual potluck dishes, salads, breads, and desserts.

Make your favorite homemade ice cream and enter the ice cream contest. We will have games including Horseshoes, Corn Hole, and a Silent Auction. See Sue Jones if you have items for the Silent Auction.

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Sunday School Services

Start at 9:45am-10:30am

For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them. (Matthew 18:20)

One - Two Year Old
Sue Jones & Alice McVey

3 - 4 Year Old
Katie Walz - Children's Classroom

Kindergarden - 1st Grade
Christi Heyduck & Sue Droske

2nd Grade - 3rd Grade
Beth Melton

4th Grade - 5th Grade
Bonnie Miller & Kristie Wright

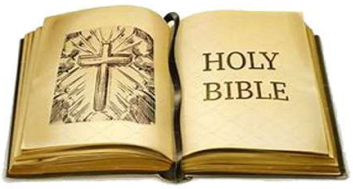
Youth - 6th - Teens
Billy Whitt

Faith Seekers
Shannan Whitt & Jerry Black

Service Class
Class Teachers rotate, Choir room

Ephesians Class
Paul Miller

G.I.F.T. Class
Class Teachers rotate

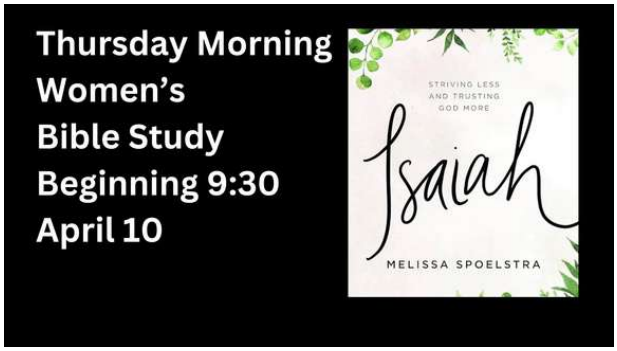


Weekly Bible Studies

Sunday - 6:00pm
> *Gospel of John* - led by Richard Heyduck

Wednesday - 10:30am
> *The Cost of Discipleship* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer - led by Richard Heyduck

Wednesday - 6:00pm
> *Everything You Need* - led by Mark Roberts
> *Ten Women of the Bible* - led by Christi Heyduck
> *Decisions - Seeing God's Guidance in Daily DecisionMaking* - led by Phillip & Julie Watson
> *The Band Meeting* - led by Brenda Rochelle
> *Discipleship and Disciple-making* - led by Danny Haflich



Thursday - 9:30am
> Isaiah by Malissa Spoelster - led by Rhonda Reed

Weekly Activities

> Yoga - Tuesday & Thursday @ 11:00am every week
> **Chancel Choir practice** - Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:00pm
> **Wednesday Night Meals - Note**: Last meal is May 21, resumes TBA
> Fit4Moms Exercise Group - Moms and their kids meet for exercise in the **Youth Lodge**.

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Children's Department
- Birth to 5th Grade

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." - (Matthew 19:14)

Julianna Aaron - Children's Director:
hardykids@hardymemorial.org

Sunday School starts at 9:45am
Children's Church & Nursery during Worship

Note: Last Wednesday night for Children's Dept. activities is May 14th

Children's Choir meets Sundays at 6:00 pm.

It is for children ages 4 Years thru 5th Grade. They practice each week learning songs they will sing in Sunday morning worship and in a seasonal musical (Easter & Christmas) that they will put on as a special event. For more information, contact Jessica Bilbo at Jessica.Bilbo@tasd7.net.

Children's Time with Mrs. Jennifer

It is a special blessing to be a part of this worship service.

Note: Last Children Wednesdy night activities is May 14th before Summer break

Children's Church

Children study & create during Worship in the Children's Dept.

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Youth Department

6th Grade - 12th Grade

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity. (1 Timothy 4:12)

Billy Whitt - Youth Director: hardyyouth@hardymemorial.org

Sunday School - 9:45am
Sunday Worship - 10:45am

Sunday Evening Activities
> Youth Music - Youth Band
- time TBD
> Youth Activities
- 5:30pm **-** 7:00pm

Sunday Evening Activities for May:
> 5/4 Games at Youth Lodge
> 5/11 Mother's Day; No evening Youth
> 5/18 Hardy Homecoming; No evening Youth
> 5/25 Bowling @ Holiday Bowl

Additional Dates of Interest:
> 5/3 Saturday: Hardy Beast Feast-benefitting Children's & Youth Dept.

We are updating our Youth records. Please complete our information form using the QR code.

Note: 5/21 Wednesday is the last Night of Bible Study for summer break.

Youth Family Crawfish Boil

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Calendar of Events

> May 3 Sat. 6:00pm Beast Feast
> May 7 Wed. 7:00am Hardy Memorial Methodist Men's Breakfast, 1st Wednesday
> May 10 Sat. 10:00am Hardy Memorial Methodist Women, 2nd Saturday, Fellowship Hall
> May 11 Sun. Mother's Day
> May 12 Mon. 12:30pm Lunch & Learn Burger lunch, Fellowship Hall
> May 16 Fri. 12:00noon Methodist Men's Lunch - Chuck Wagon. Nash. TX
> May 18 Sun. 12:00noon Homecoming Lunch on the Grounds, Games & Silent Auction; see Sue Jones if you have items to donate.
> May 21 Wed. 1:00pm Food Pantry, third Wednesday
> May 24 Sat. Note: Hardy Memorial Dinner Club will not meet in May; Dinner will resume August, location TBD
> May 26 Mon. Note: New Horizons will not meet in May due to Memorial Day holiday

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Beast Feast 6:00pm
4	5	6	7 Methodist Men B'fast 7:00am	8	9	10 Methodist Women - 10:00am
11 	12 Lunch & Learn Burgers 12:30pm	13	14	15	16 Methodist Men Lunch 12:00noon	17
18 Home-coming Lunch on Grounds 12:00noon	19	20	21 Food Pantry 1:00pm	22	23	24
25	26 	27	28	29	30	31

Please have information for next month's newsletter submitted by May 27th to Janet (903-824-8560) or *newsletter@hardymemorial.org*